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<TEXT>Please come to the aid of the individual voter and oppose a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

The proposal to increase individual rates to equal bulk is only a step and reminds us of the Post Office which has lost revenues by favoring bulk over first class.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls.

As a small time user I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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